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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE	EARLIEST PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED
PCT/AU2004/001266	17 September 2004	1 October 2003
TITLE OF INVENTION		
VENTING ASSEMBLY FOR A CASTING MOULD		
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information by **Express Mail**:

- ☒ 1. This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- ☐ 2. This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 37 U.S.C. 371.
- ☒ 3. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
- ☒ 4. The US has been elected (Article 31).
- ☒ 5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - ☒ a. is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - ☐ b. has been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - ☐ c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
- ☐ 6. An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).

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- ____ 7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
- ____ a. are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
- ____ b. have been communicated by the International Bureau.
- ____ c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
- ____ d. have not been made and will not be made.
- ____ 8. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
- ____ 9. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
- ____ 10. An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

- ____ 11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98.
- ____ 12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
- ____ 13. A preliminary amendment. Please enter the Preliminary Amendment prior to calculation of the filing fee. The "Amendments to the Claims" section adds ____ additional pages to the application, bringing the total number of pages to ____.
- X 14. An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. 1.76.
- ____ 15. A substitute specification.
- ____ 16. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
- ____ 17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13^{ter}.2 and 37 C.F.R. 1.821 – 1.825 is transmitted herewith in printed and computer-readable formats. The paper and computer-readable copies of the sequence listing are the same and do not contain new matter. Entry of the sequence listing into the application is requested. The paper copy comprises ____ additional pages.
- ____ 18. A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- ____ 19. A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- X 20. Other items or information:
- X a. Copy of the International Search Report
- X b. Copy of the International Preliminary Report on Patentability (with Annexes)

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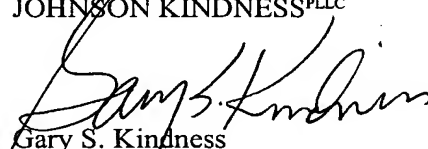
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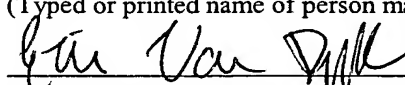
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